

# The PRESSbyterian

October 2011

## Dates to Remember

- Oct. 2:** Communion  
**Oct. 16:** Youth Fundraiser  
**Oct. 18:** Prime Time Lunch  
**Oct. 30:** Reformation Sunday:  
Kirkin' o' the Tartans  
**Oct. 30:** Fall Festival  
**Oct. 30:** Community Fellow-  
ship Service:  
New Mt. Zion Church  
**Nov. 13** Revival begins

## From the Pastor

*John 4:23-24 "Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth."*

Friends,

These past few weeks we have been in a sermon series entitled, "Worship God!" In this series we have talked about why we worship, the importance of worship, how to worship and what it looks like in our lives. Because this topic is important and repetition is always good, I want to restate why we worship, from our first sermon in the series.

In the Old Testament, the Hebrew word for worship is *hx'v'* pronounced *shachab*. It literally means "to bow down before" and has the understanding that this bowing before God happens at a specific location.

During Moses' time (Exodus – Deuteronomy) this location was the mobile worship center called the tabernacle. After Moses' time, Israel worshipped at the temple in Jerusalem. If Israelites lived outside of Jerusalem and could not make it to the temple, they would worship in one of the synagogues. In the Old Testament true and authentic worship happened at a location where God's presence dwelt.

In the New Testament, Jesus edified the understanding of worship. In the above scripture we see that Jesus declared we can now worship in spirit and truth. This means the worship of God is not restricted to a specific place where God's presence was thought to dwell but that now He can be worshiped any place and any time. To worship in spirit means the Holy Spirit makes it possible for our spirit to come into the presence of God. To worship in truth means that our true, authentic selves, with all of the good, the bad, and ugly, also enters the presence of God. Because of the Spirit we cannot hide any of ourselves from God. When our true selves are lifted into the presence of God by the Holy Spirit, all the things that are wrong with life – the pain, suffering, fears, insecurity, anxieties, and the like are burned away in the holy presence of God. All that is wrong is made right. Our soul is restored as the created comes into the presence of the Creator. When this happens, the emotions associated with worship - a sense of awe, being overwhelmed, feeling speechless, feeling humbled, and others - emerge. So we do not worship just because we are commanded to or it is the right thing to do; we worship because in worship our soul is restored.

God knows this. God knows that the only way for creation to flourish is to be restored by His holy presence in worship. So what Jesus is proclaiming when He says we can worship in spirit and in truth is that God has given us a gift. He opened the door and made it easier for His creation to come into His presence and be restored. So embrace it!

I pray that the Holy Spirit writes this truth upon your heart. I pray that you are able to truly worship. I pray that in your worship of God you have your soul restored so that you are able to live in the freedom of the joy of Jesus Christ. Let us always remember this as we all seek to now Worship God!

In Christ,  
Jud

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# Kirkin' o' the Tartans

October 30, 2011

Reformation Sunday is October 30. This special service, designed to emphasize and remind us of our Scottish roots within the Presbyterian Church, will again include the "Kirkin' o' the Tartans."

As in past years, family members or someone of their choosing will carry the tartans. Those families which have their tartans at home should return them to the church by Thursday, **October 13th**, so that they can be attached to the poles and placed in the line-up.

Please make plans now to celebrate this special service with your church family - "Scot or Not" - you may even be asked to carry a tartan!

The Tartan Team



## The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

will be observed on  
**World Communion Sunday,**  
October 2, 2011.



## Community Fellowship Service

October 30, 2011

6:00 p.m.

New Mount Zion Baptist Church



Growing Through Fellowship  
First Presbyterian Church, Orangeburg, SC

Growing Through Fellowship, or GTF, was begun to strengthen the bond of friendship and fellowship within the members of First Presbyterian Church. It's more than a meal or hearing an interesting topic ... it's being a part of a community of believers, **our family**.

**Dinner by reservation:** 6:00 p.m.

**Programs and children's choirs:** 6:30 p.m.

Oct. 5 **The Message of the Gospel**

Jud will teach the foundational truth of our faith – **the gospel message**. Although many have heard the term "gospel," many may have an unclear understanding of it and how it is truly GOOD NEWS IN JESUS CHRIST. Come and learn / refresh on the foundational essence of Christianity.

Oct. 12 **Game Night** - Come test your skill!

Oct. 19 & 26 **The Advent Conspiracy**

Are you tired of how consumerism has stolen the soul of Christmas? This year, take a stand! Join the groundswell of Christ-followers who are choosing to make Christmas what it should be—a joyous celebration of Jesus' birth that enriches our hearts and the world around us, not a retail circus that depletes our pocketbooks and defeats our spirits.

Please note that reservations for the 6:00 p.m. meal must be made **by noon on Monday** of each week. The total count is given to our caterer at that time and it cannot be changed.



# Youth: Faith in 3-D

**Dates:** January 13-16, 2012

We will probably leave during the late afternoon of January 12 and will spend the night at a church on the way to Orlando.

**Location:** Walt Disney World!

## What is Faith in 3-D?

Faith in 3-D is an event that occurs every three years and is hosted by the PCUSA, Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, and the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. According to the website, "Faith in 3D exists to invite young people of different faith groups to explore our common faith in Jesus Christ through worship, education, and community building." The youth will have the opportunity to meet new friends from all over the country, worship, and hear some awesome Christian speakers. They will also get to explore the Disney parks. Visit the website ([www.faithin3D.org](http://www.faithin3D.org)) for more details.

## Price

The actual price for the trip is around \$400, but I don't want it to cost more than our annual ski trip. So, the price per youth will be \$200. Each youth must be committed to participate in fundraising activities. If the youth really work hard, we can lower that price even more!

## Commitment

Going to Faith in 3-D is an awesome opportunity, but it is also a privilege. Therefore, the youth must meet certain requirements to be able to go on the trip. Also, if you want to bring a friend, he or she must meet all the requirements, too!

- You must attend 10 out of the 14 Sunday nights before the trip. This includes "special" youth activities, such as community ecumenical services, service projects, etc.
- You must participate in all fundraising activities. I am working on the list and will have them in a few days.
- You must participate in one extra service project. I will let you know the dates soon.
- You must maintain good behavior during youth and youth activities.

## Deadlines

September 25 - \$75 **nonrefundable** deposit due to Sarah  
 October 23 - \$125 **nonrefundable** balance due to Sarah  
 \*I know this doesn't allow much time, but we just found out about this opportunity.

**If there is a problem, please see me.**

## Upcoming Fundraisers

**October 16** – Join us for a **soup and salad lunch** in the Centre following church. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. You can buy tickets from members of the youth group.

**October 16-24** – Bags of Krispy Kreme Coffee - \$9  
 You can sample the coffee before and after church on October 16. Coffee will be available for pickup on October 24.

Sarah Coggins

**Fall Festival: October 30, 2011**

**The Centre: 3:00-4:30 p.m.**



**Trunk or Treat: 4:30-5:00 p.m.**

**Wanted**

We need donations of Halloween costumes and decorations for the Fall Festival. We give costumes to children from Mellichamp, many of whom might not be able to purchase a costume. Costumes can be all sizes and gently used. Also, please consider watching the post Halloween sales for costumes for next year.

Sarah Coggins

# Prime Time Lunch

October 18, 2011

Primetimers will meet at the church on October 18 at noon in the Centre. Please sign up for lunch by calling the office (534-0088).



Nancy Runager

# Thanks

Thank you to each person who participated in our Sunday Celebration breakfast. There are some folks who worked to make this celebration happen. We thank Maggie Robertson for creating our banner and helping in other ways. Helping set up the “art” on Thursday and Sunday, making samples and assisting with the “window” were Melinda Shepherd, Lisa Boltin, Sarah Coggins, Leslie and Maggie Robertson. Helping set the tables, serving the breakfast and cleaning the kitchen were Sandra Borgstedt, Jane Holaday, Sherry Newnam, John Shuler and Shawn Boltin. Cindy Clark is responsible for all the track you see around the campus. We appreciate Sylvia Trimmier for always being so gracious to play for the singing and to Sherrill for his help in getting the music printed. Obviously the children loved the puppets; thanks, Jane Shuler. Many people tried to get the sound system working and we really appreciate their efforts: Ben Davis, Martin and Janet Gilchrist, and Leslie Robertson. Thanks to each person for participating and for all the helpers.

Kaye Borgstedt



# October Birthdays

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|----------------------|----------------------------|
| 10/01 Salley Johnson | 10/16 Geraldine Miggins    |
| Freddy Felder        | Beldon Langford            |
| Melinda Shepherd     | 10/17 Alan Johnstone       |
| Peggy Pooser         | Elizabeth Allen Brailsford |
| 10/02 Bonnie Jordan  | 10/18 Donna Rigden         |
| 10/03 Bess Hill      | Connie Belcher             |
| Tom Hollingsworth    | 10/19 Hilary Daniels       |
| Emily Cook           | 10/20 Mike Clayton         |
| 10/04 Henry Frierson | Tatum Rose Bronson         |
| Neal Branan          | 10/22 Dot Dudley           |
| Salley Gillespie     | Bert Shuler, III           |
| 10/05 Brad Williams  | 10/23 Margie Cantley       |
| Jim Shepherd         | Renee Roberts              |
| 10/06 Jim Turner     | 10/24 Geb Runager          |
| Virginia McCully     | Allyn Price                |
| 10/07 Paul Cantley   | Cathy Jordan               |
| Bob Horger           | 10/26 Tracey Hughes        |
| Lexa Johnson         | Sandra Borgstedt           |
| 10/08 Laura Weathers | 10/27 Madeline Salley      |
| Paul Banish          | George Welsh               |
| 10/09 Terri Rash     | Rick Spell                 |
| Alex Kuck            | 10/28 Gari von Besser      |
| 10/10 Marlene Welch  | 10/29 John Cruise          |
| 10/13 Ted Evans      | Chalmers Mikell            |
| Lewis Fogle          | 10/31 Sandy Bryant         |
| Gaye Irick           | Preston Sanders            |
| 10/14 Emilie Cox     | Cameron Panitt             |
| Cyndi Johnson        |                            |
| 10/15 Anna Frierson  |                            |



# First Presbyterian's Heaven Express

“But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”

Matthew 6:20-21

During our celebration breakfast, we all read these verses and created windows for our seats on the train. These are on display in the Centre. God's children from 2 to 90 participated and they are AMAZING. Pretend you are in an art gallery or museum and please take the time to study them. (If you want to add one for yourself or your group, please contact Kaye Borgstedt or Sarah Coggins.)

Kaye Borgstedt

# Christian Education

## DID YOU KNOW:

- that in the New Testament, the word, "saint" means to be "set apart for God"? So we are saints but only our obedience to God makes us saintly. Is God's light shining through you ?
- that there are two books in the Bible that have the exact same number of verses? Can you find them?
- that someone in the Old Testament spent 40 days and nights in the desert just as \_\_\_\_\_ did in the New Testament? Who were they?
- that wisdom is "the application of knowledge"? So, how wise are you as a Christian?
- that you can find at least one thing in every worship service that you can use to strengthen your everyday faith? Talk with a friend about where you experience God in the worship service.
- that God always keeps His promises? What have you realized about God's keeping His promises in your life?
- that our reading the Bible, praying, and fellowship with other believers does not obligate God to do anything for us because God cannot be manipulated? We should be doing these things to strengthen our relationship with our Savior and to help us live saintly lives.
- that the way to unleash spiritual power in our lives is to constantly depend on God? Cling to God as if our very lives depend on it--because they do.
- that forgiveness is a continuing release of the pain into God's hands?
- that Jesus' presence in our lives is constant? We are never alone!

- that awareness of faith is a subject for constant prayer?
- that true discipleship begins to grow only when we take the time and patience to want to change to become a new person?
- that prayer is the place where challenges and burdens change shoulders?

## DO YOU DAILY:

- spend time in the study of God's Word and in prayer?
- wake up each morning thanking God for a time of rest and for this day, and ask, "What can I do for you today, God?"
- identify someone who is struggling, and offer to help?
- realize you are heading in the right direction only if God is ahead of you leading the way?
- listen to God calling you to new challenges and realize He will be with you and give you what you need to meet the challenge?
- look at your calendar and consider if your time is spent on what is truly important?
- inventory your life to see what "hardness in your heart" is costing you, your family, church and community?

One final thought. What would your reaction be if there were a third sacrament---washing of feet as Jesus did? This is just something I have been thinking about and in no way means FPC is adding a third sacrament or even thinking about it!

In Christ,  
Kaye Borgstedt



**PRESSbyterian Deadline**

October 15, 2011

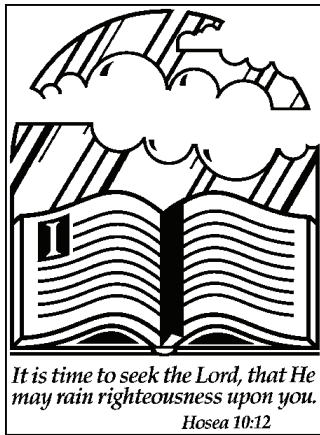
**Community of Character**

October trait: Loyalty

## College Students

The church would love to stay in touch during your exciting years in college! Please share your US Postal Service address and email address with Karen Schweizer-Nagle.

ksbagel@aol.com  
803-534-2225



## Notes of Thanks

❖ Dear Church Family,

My family and I would like to thank you for your calls, emails, cards, food, thoughts and prayers during my recent surgery. Your acts of caring and kindness were greatly appreciated. Thank you for being such a compassionate congregation.

In Christ,  
Ben Davis

❖ The Clayton Family would like to thank all of the members of First Presbyterian Church for your many acts of kindness and love we received during Corinne's illness and at the time of her passing. We hope that you all know she loved each and every one of you like her own children and she is blessing all of you each day. To all that assisted her in the final months of her earthly life, we thank you and she shines on you from a higher place. Corinne truly loved First Presbyterian Church.

Love to all,  
Mike, Pam, Jennifer, Zach, Michael,  
Rebecca, Adam and Tim

## Presbyterian Women

### Circle Meetings: Tuesday, October 11

<b>Circle 1:</b>	11:30 a.m.	Presbyterian Centre
<b>Circle 2:</b>	10:00 a.m.	Conference Room Presbyterian Centre
<b>Circle 3:</b>	6:00 p.m.	Sandra Borgstedt 2222 Chestnut
<b>Circle 4:</b>	7:00 p.m.	TBA

### Circle 2 Project

Circle 2 and the P.W. are sponsoring a drive to collect, primarily, cans of soup with pop-up lids, for the Orangeburg County Council on Aging, beginning November 1st. Other items to be considered are warm blankets, socks, gloves, stretch knit hats and heating pads. The congregation is invited to respond to these needs, beginning November 1st. There will be a basket in the lobby of the Centre to collect these items.



Janet Fogle

## Prayer Focus

A focused PRAYER TEAM is meeting on Mondays from 9:45-10:45. The focus for this team is to pray for: revival in our church—corporately and individually; our families; our Pastor and leaders; and our denomination. The sanctuary is open and each of us finds a place and prays from 9:45 until 10:30 at which time we meet in the parlor for any discussion. If you are interested in joining this team for as many Mondays as you can, please contact Kaye Borgstedt, 534-0088 ext.108

# Children's Church and Nursery Schedules

## Infant Nursery

October 2 Julie Bruner  
October 9 Marji Albergotti  
October 16 Debbie Gramling  
October 23 Morgan Clark  
October 30 Maggie Robertson

## Two-to-Four Nursery

Janet Brailsford and Matt Coggins  
Dee Anne and Logan Miller  
Erin Bowers and Ginger Weigle  
Jamie and Sarah Paige Bozardt  
Erin and Robert Richardson

## Children's Church

Paul and Lisa Banish  
Melissa and Tripp Plummer  
Tracey and Robbie Myers  
Jennifer and Walt Turner  
Andy and Tiffany Hunter

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"Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,  
to receive power and...  
honor and glory and praise!"  
Revelation 5:12, NIV

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